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Title: : Method of Forming an Electrostatic Discharge Protecting Device  
and Integrated Circuit Arrangement Comprising such a Device

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** there are no amendments in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.